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SUBJECT: ANTIDUMPING--US STEEL WITHDRAWS COMPLAINT ON
JAPANESE STEEL

1. THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED MARCH 1 THAT U.S.
STEEL CORPORATION HAS DECIDED TO WITHDRAW ITS ANTIDUMPING
COMPLAINT CONCERNING CARBON STEEL SHEET, PLATE, PIPE AND
TUBING AND STRUCTURALS FROM JAPAN. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF
TREASURY PRESS RELEASE.

2. BEGIN TEXT. US STEEL WITHDRAWS ANTIDUMPING PETITION.

THE US TREASURY DEPARTMENT TODAY ANNOUNCED THAT THE US
STEEL CORPORATION HAS WITHDRAWN ITS ANTIDUMPING PETITION
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CHARGING THAT THE SIX LARGEST JAPANESE STEEL PRODUCERS
HAD BEEN DUMPING A NUMBER OF STEEL PRODUCTS IN THE UNITED
STATES.

THE PETITION WAS FILED ON SEPTEMBER 20, 1977 AND FORMAL
ANTIDUMPING PROCEEDINGS WERE INITIATED BY THE TREASURY

DEPARTMENT ON OCTOBER 25, 1977. AT THAT TIME, IT WAS
ESTIMATED THAT THE PRIOR YEAR'S IMPORTS OF THE AFFECTED
PRODUCTS WAS VALUED AT 1.2 BILLION DOLLARS.

SUBSEQUENT TO THE INITIATION OF THE INVESTIGATION, A STEEL
"TRIGGER PRICE MECHANISM" RECOMMENDED BY AN INTERAGENCY
TASK FORCE CHAIRED BY TREASURY UNDER SECRETARY ANTHONY
SOLOMON BECAME EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 21, 1978, TO MONITOR
IMPORTS OF STEEL PRODUCTS INCLUDING THOSE COVERED BY THE
US STEEL PETITION. UNDER THE TPM, THE TREASURY SHOULD BE
ABLE TO IDENTIFY CASES OF DUMPING QUICKLY AND TO EXPEDITE
ANTIDUMPING PROCEEDINGS.

ON FEBRUARY 28, 1978, US STEEL ADDRESSED A LETTER TO
ROBERT MUNDHEIM, GENERAL COUNSEL OF THE TREASURY, STATING
IN PART:

"AT THIS TIME IT MAY BE NEITHER FEASIBLE NOR
PRACTICAL FOR TREASURY TO DEVOTE THE RESOURCES
REQUIRED TO INVESTIGATE AND ADJUDICATE THE US
STEEL PETITION WHILE CONCURRENTLY COMPLETING
THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE 'TRIGGER PRICE MECHANISM,'
PROVIDING FOR THE CONTINUING EVALUATION AND
UPDATING OF JAPANESE COST DATA ON WHICH IT IS
GROUNDED, MONITORING IMPORT PRICES AND ENFORCING
THE TERMS OF THE PROGRAM. IN VIEW OF THESE
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CONSIDERATIONS, US STEEL IS WILLING TO AGREE
TO WITHDRAW ITS ANTIDUMPING PETITION INVOLVING
JAPANESE STEEL...."

THE WITHDRAWAL IS "WITHOUT PREJUDICE" TO A NEW FILING BY
US STEEL IF IT FEELS THAT THE STEEL TRIGGER PRICE
MECHANISM IS NOT SOLVING ANTIDUMPING PROBLEMS.

IN A REPLY, GENERAL COUNSEL MUNDHEIM ACKNOWLEDGED THE
BASIS OF US STEEL'S ACTION AND CONFIRMED THAT IF US STEEL
SHOULD REFILE "TREASURY EXPECTS TO CONCLUDE ITS PROCEED-
INGS WELL WITHIN THE TIME LIMITS NORMALLY REQUIRED FOR
REACHING A DETERMINATION."

A FORMAL NOTICE TERMINATING THE INVESTIGATION WILL BE
PUBLISHED PROMPTLY IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER.END TEXT. CHRISTOPHER

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